undertakings met the representatives of both the UPSEB and KESA as well as the Chief Secretary of the U.P. Government, but to no avail. Power supply remains disconnected. The udertakings remain closed. The workers are idle. A great security situation has arisen in Kanpur.

Sir, as you may well realise, Kanpur is a sensitive place. After the imbroglio consequent upon the demolition of the Babri Masjid, Kanpur witnessed a holocaust and it has not yet recovered from it. In such a situation, the electric supply authorities, namely, both the UPSEB and KESA, have done this. The KESA sent a letter stating that by 15th March, they should take action, i.e., they should make payment. But before this, on 7th March itself, the connection was cut.

The Home Minister, the Leader of the House, is here. He is taking interest in regard to Tamil Nadu. But U.P. is under his own administration so to say. I would, therefore, request him...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Kindly conclude.

PROF. SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: I am concluding. This situation may lead not only to unemployment among the workers, but it is a great security risk also. I would, therefore, demand an assurance from him that he would enquire into the matter and see that it is settled immediately and the public sector industries begin functioning without any further loss of time.

RE. REPORTED STATEMENT OF UNION STATE MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY REGARDING SICK INDUSTRIES IN PUBLIC SECTOR

SHRI JAGESH DESAI (Maharashtra): Mr. Vice-Chairman, through you, I would draw the attention of the House to a statement made by a Union Minister. This is about the public sector enterprises. Mr. Thungon is here. Sir, time and again, the Minister of Public Enterprises had given an assurance to the House that, wherever possible, the sick industries which were closed down would be revived, but if, for any reason, they cannot be revived, they have to be shut down. It was for this purpose that the National Renewal Fund was created. The Prime Minister himself, not once, but four times, had said that it was not the intention of the Government to close down the public sector sick industries, but that they would revive them, wherever it is possible. Unfortunately, one of the Ministers of State in the Ministry of Industry. Smt. Krishna Sahi, has said, and press reports are there, "Even if the BIFR recommends that this can be revived, Government is not going to give them any financial assistance." Then, what for did you refer it to the BIFR? There is a doubt in the minds of the workers.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH (West Bengal): Which concern, which organisation?

SHRI JAGESH DESAI: She has said, "Even if the BIFR recommends, we are not going to give funds for revival of that public sector unit." The Leader of the House is also here.

Sir, the INTUC has decided to boycott the BIFR. If this is the situation, lakhs and lakhs of workers who are working in sick industries and even those working in healthy industries will be agitated on this issue. As such, the Government should make it very clear, if possible today itself.

If the statement is correct, it is very unfortunate. There will be misgivings in the minds of people like me, who have always pleaded the cause of the public sector. I feel very much agitated. In spite of the assurance by the Prime Minister if this is going to happen, then, whom can we believe? As such, I request the Home Minister and our Leader to see that this kind of misgivings are imm-

ediately removed from the minds of the people. That will help us. Sir, I associate myself with Mr. Jagesh Desai's statement. I hope that the Leader of the House will seek a clarification from the concerned Minister. Let us know what exactly she has stated. It is a very serious charge. If the Minister has gone on record saying that even if the BIFR recommends revival, the Government would not accept that, then, I think, it is against the policy of the Government. As such it enjoins upon the Leader of the House to seek a clarification from the concerned Minister and let us know about it.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Mr. Mathur.

PROF. SAUDIN BHATTACHARYA: I expected a response from the Minister.

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): I will:

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श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर (उत्तर प्रदेश) : श्रीमन्, मैं भी इस विषय से सम्बद्ध होता हूं ।

SHRI S. B. CHAVAN: I would like to get the proper information from the hon. Minister and inform the House about what exactly she has said. If it is anything which is contrary to Government policy, I think, either the press must not have been properly reported or the Minister did not make a statement which everybody could understand. But these are matters in which I cannot possibly say anything. I will have to find out the exact statement she has made.

SHRI DIPEN GHOSH: Don't make the press the whipping boy. The press is always made the whipping boy.

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : श्रीमन्, मैं एक और विषय उठाना चाहता हूं । यह बार-बार समाचार आ रहे हैं कि बिहार में यूरेनियम की चोरी हो रही है । अभी पिछले हफ्ते भी आया कि यूरेनियम चुराते हुए, ले जाते हुए दो-चार लोग पकड़े गए । यह पहला समाचार नहीं है, अनेक बार हुआ है । हम यह जानते हैं कि बिहार की सरकार के काबू में नहीं है, वह शायद अपने ही धंधे में उलझी है । यूरेनियम एक ऐसा पदार्थ है शांतिमय कार्यों के लिए उपयोग में नहीं आता, शस्त्र के बनाने में उपयोग में आता है ।

श्रीमती कमला सिन्हा (बिहार) : बिहार सरकार ने ही चोर को पकड़ा है ।

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : हां, एक चोर को पकड़ लिया है, लेकिन सौ चोर छूट गए हैं । यह बार-बार अगर चोरी को पकड़ लिया होता बिहार सरकार ने तो बार-बार चोरी नहीं होती । एक पकड़ा है, दूसरा चलता रहता है कहीं ऐसा तो नहीं है बहन जी, एक पकड़ते हैं, उससे कुछ पैसा खा लेते हैं और दूसरा पकड़ने के लिए फिर छोड़ देते हैं । तो मेरा निवेदन यह है कि यह बहुत ही महत्वपूर्ण मसला है केन्द्र सरकार को स्वयं इस विषय में चिंता करके सर्वेक्षण करना चाहिए । क्योंकि संदेह यह है कि वह कोई निजी कंपनी लेकर शायद उपयोग नहीं करती, कहीं न कहीं विदेश को बेचा जाता है । पाकिस्तान जाता हो, कहीं भी जाता हो ? मेरा सरकार से निवेदन यह है कि इसको गंभीरता से लें और बिहार सरकार के ऊपर निर्भर न करते हुए, *जैसी वहां की सरकार है उसके ऊपर निर्भर नहीं किया जा सकता, लेकिन फिर भी आपकी जिम्मेदारी है, उसको आप पूरा करें, यह मेरा निवेदन है ।

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: I am on a point of order.

इस तरह की बात रेकार्ड में नहीं जानी चाहिए । किसी भी सरकार के बारे में यह कहने का अधिकार इनको नहीं है । ... (**व्यवधान**) यह बहुत ही गलत बात है । ... (**व्यवधान**)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Madam, I will go through the record and remove it.... (*Interruptions*)

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*Expunged as ordered by the Chair.

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: It should be deleted, it should be expunged.

श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर : सरकार* है, यह अनपार्लियामेंटरी नहीं है ।

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: For once, Shri Jagdish Prasad Mathur has spoken the truth. Please, let this be on the record.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): No, Madam, I will go through the record. If it is...

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: It should be expunged.

SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN (Kerala): Mr. Subramanian Swamy said that Mr. Mathur has spoken the truth, Sir, Subramanian Swamy opens his mouth only on two occasions — one, to eat food and the other, to mislead the House.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Madam, if he has made an allegation without any proof, that will be removed from the record.. You cannot make wrong allegations. I will remove such allegations from the record.

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: I say it should not go on record.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Why not?

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: You have been saying all wrong things.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): I will have to see the record. Then I will.

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: You should know Uranium production there is under the Central Government. If any theft occurs, it is with the connivance of the Central Government.

SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: What I was saying was that you are unable to check it.

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*Expunged as ordered by the Chair.

Re coverage of Rajya Sabha proceedings by Doordarshan.

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह (बिहार) : उपसभाध्यक्ष जी, कल जब प्रधान मंत्री जी इस सदन में राष्ट्रपति जी के अभिभाषण पर यहां जो कुछ वाद-विवाद हुआ था, उसका उत्तर दे रहे थे तो उनके भाषण के बाद विपक्ष के कई सदस्यों ने अपनी असहमति जाहिर की थी और आपको स्मरण होगा कि कल मैंने भी स्वयं यह कहा था कि, "आज प्रधान मंत्री के इस जवाब के लिए हम लोग बहुत दिनों से इंतजार कर रहे थे और हमें इस बात की उम्मीद थी कि प्रधान मंत्री अपने जवाब में कुछ ऐसी ठोस बातें कह सकेंगे जिसके लिए पूरा देश चिंतित है । प्रधान मंत्री जी को मैं यह कहना चाहता हूं और याद भी दिलाना चाहता हूं कि 6 दिसंबर को... (**व्यवधान**)

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: How can he raise this mater now? This is yesterday's matter.

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : यस्टरडे के मैटर आप नहीं उठाते हैं, इस सदन में ? मैंने उठाया है इसलिए कह रहे हैं । अब आप जब उठाएंगे और वही मैं कार्यवाही करूंगा तो आपकी हालत क्या होगी ?

श्री सुब्रह्मण्यम स्वामी : माफी मांगता हूं ।

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : माफ किया आपको ।

मैं प्रधान मंत्री को याद दिलाना चाहता हूं कि 6 दिसंबर को जिस दिन अयोध्या में यह दुखद कांड हुआ, उस दिन आपने दूरदर्शन पर कहा था कि नई मस्जिद बनेगी ? उसे बाद राष्ट्रपति जी ने अपने अभिभाषण में यह कहा कि मंदिर व मस्जिद दोनों बनेंगे और इसके लिए ट्रस्ट बनेंगे । आप इसके लिए जो